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## BANKS.

### HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000  
RESERVE FUND \$6,000,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.  
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent, per annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per annum.  
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T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 8th October, 1896.

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THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 per cent. per annum.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853;  
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$800,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS \$800,000  
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INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
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Hongkong, 19th October, 1896.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000  
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HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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With the Utmost Success.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot and Dampness.

Sole Agents for China,  
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Hongkong, 15th May, 1896.

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### JASTRAM'S PATENT GOLDEN MEDAL PETROLEUM ENGINES

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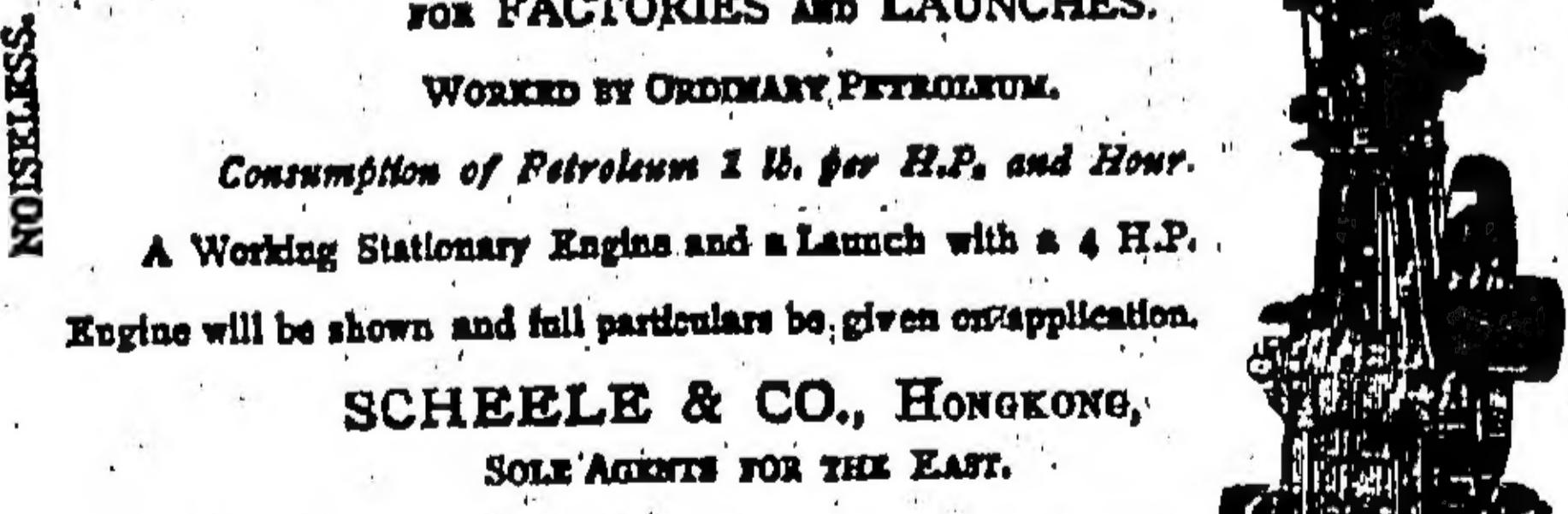
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FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of messing either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AS ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.

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THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

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YOKOHAMA.

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### EMPEROR ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED.

#### FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have This Day been appointed AGENTS, and are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1896.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL \$250,000

TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY \$248,000

NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM \$73,747.8

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Agents

Hongkong, and January, 1896.

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THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, TAELS \$60,000

EQUAL TO \$833,333.33

RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 1st December, 1896.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c., Foliols granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,

Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,

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Hongkong, 26th October, 1896.

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The Belgian x 100 ft Iron Screw Steamer

"ANVERS,"

2,585 Tons Reg. Gross, 1,996 Tons Reg. Net.

Lying in Hongkong Harbour.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS, &c., &c.

PRAYA CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1896.

SOLE AGENTS.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.

GENERAL MANAGERS,

THE AQUARIUS COMPANY.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1896.

THE TABLE WATER OF THE FAR EAST.

"SECOND TO NONE."

Being made from TREBLE DISTILLED WATER only it has a Purity that

Natural Mineral Water cannot hope to attain.

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NEW STOCK OF SHOE POLISH.

CREAM, BLACK AND TAN.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1896.

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G. H. MUMM & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 2 doz. pints \$35 per case.

do 1 " quarts \$33

SHERWIN & CO.

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1896.

## Intimations.

### PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STRANGERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS

LONDON, &c. Miraflores E. G. Andrews Noon, 5th Nov. See Special Advertisement.

JAPAN Verona C. H. S. Teague, R.N.R. Noon, 6th Nov. Freight or Passage.

LONDON Manila R. L. Haddock, R.N.R. About 12th Nov. Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent, Hongkong, 2nd November, 1896

Intimation.

**W. BOFFEY & Co.,  
TAILORS,**  
2, D'AGUILAR STREET.

Have an entirely NEW STOCK of WOOLLENS to suit the Present and Coming Season,

Consisting of:-

FANCY SUITINGS, DRESS, FROCK and MORNING COAT SUITINGS, ULSTER and OVERCOATINGS, BREECHES and RIDING MATERIALS in variety.

FANCY VESTINGS, TATTERSALLS and others.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1895.

BIRTH.  
At Tianjin, on the 16th October, the wife of H. SCHROEDER, of a son.

DEATHS.

On the 26th September at Bognor, EDWARD LAVINGTON OXENHAM, F.R.G.S., F.M.S. of 42, Addison-road, London, W., late H.B.M.'s Consul in China, son of the late Rev. William Oxenham, of Harrow School; aged 52.

On the 26th October, at the German Naval Hospital, Yokohama, JOSEPH BERRICK; aged 49.

**GODDAP'S  
Advertisements.**

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 1895,  
AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VICTOR HOBART DEACON, OF VICTORIA, HONGKONG, SOLICITOR, THE DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT OF FREEMAN AUGUSTUS FABER, OF 121, POST STREET, CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PHOTOGRAPHER FOR A GRANT IN THIS COLONY OF LETTERS PATENT FOR AN INVENTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN PHOTOGRAPHY AND MORE PARTICULARLY IN THE METHOD OF PRODUCING PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGES."

NOTICE is hereby given that the PETITION, SPECIFICATION and DECLARATION required by the above Ordinance have been duly filed in the OFFICE of the COLONIAL SECRETARY, of Hongkong, and that it is the intention of the said FREEMAN AUGUSTUS FABER, by the said VICTOR HOBART DEACON, his duly authorized Agent, to apply at the Sittings of the Legislative Council hereinafter mentioned for LETTERS PATENT for the exclusive use within the said Colony of the above-named Invention.

And Notice is also hereby given that a Sitting of the Executive Council before whom the matter of the said Petition will come for hearing will be held at CRAIGIEBURN, situated at the F.W.A.C. in the said Colony, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of November, 1895, at 9.30 A.M.

Dated the 24th day of October, 1895.

VICTOR H. DEACON,  
Solicitor,  
35, Queen's Road,  
Victoria, Hongkong,  
Agent for the said

FREEMAN AUGUSTUS FABER.

EYE-SIGHT.

NOTICE.

M R. N. LAZARUS, OCULIST-OPTICIAN, of LONDON and CALCUTTA, may be consulted for EYEGLASSES at the HONGKONG HOTEL (Room No. 139).

FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY.

A great proportion of catactacts and diseases affecting those advancing in life occur to those having some deficiency in the construction of the eyes—the many years of "Eye Strain" ending in serious forms of disease. Glasses specially adapted in youth to those requiring them save and preserve the sight.

Constantly recurring headaches, spells of dizziness when reading, weak eyes, the letters running together; any of these symptoms indicate a deficiency in the form of the eye requiring Glasses only to correct and cure.

Mr. LAZARUS supplies his SPECTACLES only after testing the sight.

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HONGKONG HOTEL,  
(Room No. 139).

Hongkong, 3rd November 1895. [1607]

STEAMSHIP "GLENARTNEY."

CONSIGNMENT of CARGO, shipped in MIDDLESBROOK and LONDON, by the above-named Steamer, for HONGKONG, are hereby informed that a list of the Goods transhipped to the S.S. "Glenartney" can be seen on application to the Undersigned.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1895. [1606]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"RAVENNA,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on cargo:—

From London, &c., ex S.S. Carriage and Ballarat.

From Australia, ex S.S. Ocean.

From Persian Gulf, ex S.S. Simla, and King Arthur.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 9th instant at 4 P.M. will be subject to reet.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival hereafter which no claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1895. [1606]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Steamer

"VINDOBONA,"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Undersigned before noon on the 10th instant, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 10th instant will be subject to reet.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1895. [1606]

**The Hongkong Telegraph**

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1895.

**TELEGRAMS.**

**REUTER'S MESSAGES.**

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, November 1st.

My Chamberlain has been elected rector of the Glasgow University.

**CLERICAL NEWS.**

The Bishop of Peterborough has been appointed to the bishopric of London.

**FLOODS IN FRANCE.**

Disastrous floods have occurred in France.

**THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.**

One hundred and thirty thousand business men of New York paraded the city in favour of McKinley and sound money; immense enthusiasm prevailed. The Republicans while professing the utmost confidence admit the existence of a large doubtful vote.

(From *Kobe Chronicle*.)

**A BRITISH GUN-BOAT OVERDUE.**

HAKODATE, October 27th.

Nothing has been heard of the British gun-boat *Plover*, which left Sago-har on the 15th inst., and search is being made for her.

[A special telegram to the *Japan Mail* from Hakodate on the 26th states.—H.M.S. *Plover*, being overdue from Robben Island, the *Zolot* was despatched from this port to search for her on Saturday morning.]

**THE EMPEROR AND THE RACES.**

TOKYO, October 27th.

The Emperor proposes to visit Yokohama on the 29th inst., to attend the Autumn meeting of the Nippon Race Club. Count Okuma, the Foreign Minister, also intends being present.

**GENERAL NOGI.**

TOKYO, October 27th.

COUNT MATSUOKA, the Premier, has given a farewell dinner to General Nogi, the new Governor-General of Formosa. All the other Ministers of State were present on the occasion.

**WEI-HAI-WEI.**

SHIMONOKAWA, October 27th.

The raising of the wreck of the Chinese cruiser *Widow* has been completed and about 60 tons of the iron and steel plates of her hull have been brought to Japan by the *Sitokumaru*.

**TO SUBSCRIBERS.**

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ESTABLISHED AD. 1841.

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S P I R I T S.**

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT, after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the DISPENSARY before being sent out.

SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CIARET—Our Ciaret, including the lowest Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY—All our Whiskey is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKEY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.  
Hongkong, 14th September, 1895.

**THE BLAS** Court-martial concluded on 30th Sept., at Devonport, Fleet-Engineer Burner and Engineer Critchion being found guilty of negligence in connection with the accident on board the vessel in June last, and being adjudged to be dismissed from the **BLAS** after receiving a severe reprimand.

From the returns compiled by *Lloyd's Register of Shipping*, it appears that, excluding warships, there were 355 vessels of 659,647 tons gross under construction in the United Kingdom at the close of the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1895. From the details we note that in China there are building two vessels with a gross tonnage of 3,580, and for Japan twelve vessels of a gross tonnage of 47,748.

OUR Shanghai morning contemporary says it appears that Mr. Troughton of H.M.S. *Grafton* was not drowned through a boat accident after all. He was cut shooting on the bank of the lake at Shewtun, when he shot a duck, which fell into the lake. He took off his clothes and swam off to get the duck, and it is supposed that he got entangled in the weeds and was drowned. His body had not been recovered after two days' dragging for it.

ONE of the cable items called from our Victoria, B.C., exchanges is dated London, 7th October, and reads as follows:—A despatch to the *Daily News* from Vienna says the Russian Minister at Seoul has been instructed to inform the King of Korea that Russia has no idea of concluding a treaty with Japan for the joint protection of his Kingdom, but that Russia considers Korea as an appendage of Siberia and that the Korean Question is closed. This information, says the *Daily News* despatch, was communicated to Lord Salisbury during the Tsar's visit to England.

TO-DAY the forty-fourth anniversary of the birth of the benevolent Ruler of the Land of the Rising Sun, His Imperial Majesty Mutsu Hiro, who was born at Kiloton on the 3rd November, 1828, has doubtless been celebrated throughout Japan, and by all Japanese in all parts of the world with boundless enthusiasm; and with good reason, for since he ascended the throne Japan has made great strides forward along the paths of progress and higher civilization—from comparative obscurity and insignificance to the proud position of a Great Power in the world, and a commercial power that has to be seriously reckoned with by all.

THE London and Glasgow Engineering and Iron Shipbuilding Company (Limited) launched on 21st ultime, from their yard at Govan, the twin-screw steamer *Sus Wu*, built for the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company (Limited), London. The principal dimensions are:—Length over all, 302 feet; breadth over all, 54 feet 6 inches; depth from top deck, 29 feet 3 inches; gross tonnage about 2,800. The machinery consists of two sets of triple-expansion engines capable of developing 1,500 indicated horse-power. The cylinders are 24 inches; 23 inches, and 37 inches in diameter, and the stroke is 30 inches.

WHEN the Editor of the Victoria, B.C., *Province* heard of the rebellion in the Philippines he locked himself in his sanctum, thought deeply, and then plunging his pen violently into the ink-pot dashed off the following:—The Cuban contagion has extended to the Philippines Islands, those Spanish pearls in the South Pacific, including the Caroline Islands, that Germany tried to grab a few years ago, till the Pope, who was asked to arbitrate, ruled it was an attempt to covet your neighbour's goods—or what would now be called a jambos raid. The natives demand independence and fix their head centre in Japan, where they publish newspapers and pamphlets calling upon the MacGregors to rise, etc. The old guitar airs. But here is the danger: Germany wants the islands if Spain cannot defend them; so does France, to be a boulevard for Tonkin; so does Japan, to strengthen Formosa; and so does England, to protect her sphere of influence at Hongkong, and her resolve to occupy Nanking and hold its river mouth, in case Russia "protects" Port Arthur. That is not a "jrl." but a quintessential duel. Deprived of Cuba and of the Philippines, the two financial paws of Spain—that is steeped to the lips in new as well as in old debts—will disappear. The Hidalgo would no longer be able to keep sentimental watch over Morocco, that he has led himself to believe was destined for Spain by Providence, as Emile de Girardin maintained the Rhine was intended as the frontier of France. Politicians, like the elect, seem to be specially initiated into the ways of Providence.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY, 3rd November.

8 p.m.—Entertainment at R.E.'s Theatre, Wellington Barracks.

THURSDAY, 5th November.

Daylight—Doris leaves for San Francisco, via postal ports of call.

11 a.m.—English Mail closes.

Noon.—Singapore sails for London.

9 p.m.—Rise Brigade Burlesque "Fra Diavolo" at the City Hall.

SATURDAY, 7th November.

Indian mail due.

Noon.—Meeting of shareholders of Messrs. Dalhin, Cruckshank & Co., Ltd., at the Hongkong Hotel.

9 p.m.—Rise Brigade Burlesque "Fra Diavolo" at the City Hall.

SUNDAY, 8th November.

French and Tacoma mails due.

**LONDON LETTERS.**

[From our own Correspondent.]

SHANGHAI AUTUMN RACE MEETING.

**Stewards:**—J. S. Fenton, Esq., G. D. Böslag, Esq., C. J. Dodgeon, Esq., E. A. Pohat, Esq., C. Hermann, Esq., D. Brand, Esq., and A. R. Burkill, Esq.

**Clerk of the Course:**—F. Ayscough, Esq.

**Secretary:**—Guy D. B. Blidwell, Esq.

**SECOND DAY, TUESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER.**

The NORTHERN CUP; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winner, the Veloc Fistic, 10bs extra; entrance, Tls. 5. Half a mile.

Mr. John Peels' ch. Heatherbell, 1st 41bs..... 1

Mr. Oswald's br. Falconet, 11th 12bs..... 2

Mr. Spooner's g. Jack Sprat, 10th 12bs..... 3

Ten started. Time, 1 min.

The SHANGHAI ST. LUCER: a sweepstakes of Tls. 15 each, with Tls. 30 added; first pony to receive 75 per cent, second pony to receive 15 per cent, and third pony to receive 10 per cent; for China ponies that have never been raced previous to 1st January, 1895; weight, 10st, 7lbs.; ponies over 14 hands to carry 3lbs. extra for every inch over 14; winners of a race, 5lbs. extra; 2 or more races, 10lbs. extra. One mile and three-quarters.

Mr. Divadoss's g. Simbad, 1st 31bs..... 1

Mr. Duplex's b. The Broker, 1st 12bs..... 2

Mr. Franklin's b. Ironside, 10th 12bs..... 3

+ 10lbs. ext. a added.

Nineteen started. Time, 3 min. 54 sec.

The CHINA CUP; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies, being *bond side* griffins at date of entry, that have not been in Shanghai or purchased by a foreigner prior to 1st August last; weight for inches as per scale; winners, 5lbs. extra; non-winning jockeys allowed 5lbs.; entrance, Tls. 5. One mile.

Mr. Linton's g. Slander, 10st 12bs..... 1

Mr. Torg's d. Benches, 10st 12bs..... 2

Mr. John Peels' b. Clever, 10st 12bs..... 3

Eleven started. Time, 2 min. 08 sec.

The PACADA CUP; value, Tls. 200; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; ponies that have never won a race allowed 5lbs.; winner of the Criterion Stakes 7lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. One mile.

Mr. Henry Morris's b. Blackberry, 1st 41bs..... 1

Mr. Sandown's b. Semper, 10st 12bs..... 2

Misses Knauck & Oswald's ch. Rosalie, 1st 12bs..... 3

\* 7lbs. allowance deducted.

Twelve started. Time, 2 min. 7 sec.

The SHANGHAI STAKES, a forced entry of Tls. 5, with Tls. 30 added, for all ponies entered at this meeting; first pony to receive 70 per cent, second pony 20 per cent, third pony 10 per cent; weight for inches as per scale; ponies at date of entry allowed 5lbs. One mile and a half.

Mr. Hampton's w. Arlet, 10st 12bs..... 1

Mr. John Peels' ch. Pineapple, 10st 12bs..... 2

Mr. Fowman's ch. Slender, 1st 41bs..... 3

Four started. Time, 3 min. 15 sec.

The ENGAGEMENT CUP; presented, added to a sweepstakes of Tls. 5; second pony Tls. 50; for all China ponies; unplaced ponies at this meeting allowed 5lbs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Sandown's g. Chile, 10st 12bs..... 1

Mr. John Peels' ch. Heatherbell, 1st 41bs..... 2

Mr. Ring's b. Orion, 10st 12bs..... 3

Ten started. Time, 2 min. 42 sec.

The SYCAX STAKES; value, Tls. 150, added to a sweepstakes of Tls. 5; each second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies, being *bond side* griffins at date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; winners, 5lbs. extra. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Tlo Wo's g. Holstomer, 1st 41bs..... 1

Mr. R. C. Renly's b. Black Slipper, 1st 12bs 2

Mr. Fernando's g. Highlander, 1st 12bs..... 3

Fifteen started. Time, 2 min. 44 sec.

The LLAMA MIAU STAKES; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; for all China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; ponies that have never won a race allowed 5lbs. One mile and three-quarters.

Mr. Common's b. Ravache, 10st 12bs..... 1

Mr. Ring's p. Elous, 1st 41bs..... 2

Mr. John Peels' s. R. Zebul, 1st 12bs..... 3

Ten started. Time, 3 min. 52 sec.

The RACING STAKES; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; ponies that have never won a race allowed 5lbs. One mile and a half.

Mr. John Peels' g. Kenneth, 1st 41bs..... 1

Mr. Robson's b. Black Chief, 1st 41bs..... 2

Mr. Crawford's ch. Realistico, 10st 12bs..... 3

\* 5lbs. allowance deducted.

Eleven started. Time, 2 min. 47 sec.

The following is the programme for the third day's racing!—

THIRD DAY.—WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

The FILAWAY PLATE; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. Seven furlongs.

The SHANGHAI HANDICAP; value, Tls. 200, added to a sweepstakes of Tls. 5; each; for all ponies that have run at this meeting; first pony to receive 70 per cent; second pony 20 per cent, third pony 10 per cent; to be handicapped after the second day's races. One mile and a half.

The GRAND STAND STAKES; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; third pony, Tls. 25; for China ponies, being *bond side* griffins at date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; winners, 5lbs. extra; two or more races, 7lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. One mile.

The PARIS-MITTEL CUP; value, Tls. 200, added to a sweepstakes of Tls. 5; each; first pony to receive 75 per cent, second pony 15 per cent, third pony 10 per cent; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; griffins at date of entry allowed 5lbs.; non-starters and winners at this meeting, 7lbs. extra. One mile and a quarter.

The CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES; value, Tls. 400; second pony Tls. 100; a forced entry for and open only to winners at this meeting; weight for inches as per scale; each pony entered to pay 5 per cent. of the value of the stakes and prizes won. One mile and a quarter.

The GIANT NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE; value, Tls. 150; second pony, Tls. 50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; non-winners allowed 7lbs; entrance, Tls. 5. Twice round a course selected by the Stewards.

The CONSOLIDATION CUP; value, Tls. 150; second pony Tls. 50; third pony, Tls. 25; for ponies that have run at this meeting and not won a race, and have been entered otherwise than in the Shanghai Stakes; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. One mile.

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THE FOREIGN TRADE OF CHINA.

Mr. Grant Duff's report on the foreign trade of China, in 1895, is founded, of course, on the Consular and Customs Reports. It is much more, however, than a summary, and may be read advantage by all interested in Eastern affairs. Sir Claude MacDonald singles out, in transmitting it, two facts which would be remarkable at any time, but which are doubly so at a period when the cry of foreign competition rises high. He has, he says, during the short time he has been at the Legation, "endeavoured to assist, to the best of his ability, the representatives of six world-renowned British manufacturers and shipbuilding yards," and they were all foreigners! Comment on this appears superfluous, we pass to the further remark that differential freights as against British ports are charged, not only by foreign, but by British steamship companies; and that this has, he is informed, "caused more injury to British trade than any foreign competition—which, indeed, it has built up and fostered." The language is emphatic, but not more so than one hears employed by merchants concerned, and less so than that used lately in a memorial from Hong Kong, suggesting that provision should be made against such a system in allotting the next mail contract. It would be inconsistent with English notions of free rivalry and self-help to require that a subsidised line should favour English goods; but there is much to be said for that protest against differential rates in favour of England's rivals. It is perhaps fair to point out, though, that port charges are responsible jointly with shipowners' combinations. Trade returns may show that we hold our own, still, along the principal lines of commerce; but they show also that challenges are keen; and patriotism and common sense rebet against encouraging these competition.

The facts which Mr. Duff presents regarding transit passes and inland dues afford us some useful information, at a moment when the relief of commerce from such hindrances is suggested as a condition of compliance with China's request for an increase of maritime dues. Mr. Jamieson's comments on *Lokis* as a system, and Mr. Fraser's illustration of its operation in Kwangtung, have already been noted in our column. The opposition offered to transit passes in Szechuan may serve to illustrate the necessity for re-arranging the financial relations between Peking and the provinces as an essential means to the desired end. It is, we believe, a fact that, owing to special fiscal arrangements of its own Szechuan is largely independent on the customs dues collected by Kweichow; and the provincial authorities may justly require that, if Art. XXVII, be enforced, the 24 per cent. which it imposes on goods shall be paid into their coffers as a measure of compensation for the dues they are now forbidden to collect. That inland dues in the North are as light that the protection of the pass scarcely needs to be invoked is well known; but that the authorities at Swatow and Ichang protect themselves by charging dues lighter than the transit duty will be news, we fancy, to many. If the provincial authorities, generally, had wisdom enough to copy that example they would recover possession at least of a share of the money which has been diverted from their coffers, and gain an object lesson in the fiscal as well as national advantage of lightening burdens on trade. The crushing incidence of the inland taxation on tea has been noticed so lately in our columns that it is only necessary to repeat that even Chinese officials might be expected to perceive the folly of further handicapping a trade subjected already to such fierce competition. It may have been open to them, for some years, to contend that the demand from other countries compensated for the diminished exports to England. The rejoinder would have been stoutly argued, however, because it was certain that India and Ceylon would push their competition, and that certitude is coming to pass. India and Ceylon are rapidly displacing China tea in Australia, and are notoriously gaining ground in the United States. Japan green tea is feeling the first blunt of the competition, but it is safe to predict that China will feel it also in the long run. A Government was absolutely wooden than that formed out of the Boards at Peking would try to help its own people, and save its own interests, by every means within its power. It is a fitting example of the contrary course taken that Foochow tea is taxed 30 per cent.; and an illustration of the effect is provided by Amoy, where the production has been reduced from hundreds to tens. English advice on the point is disinterested, because her dependences profit by China's loss.

We are having many object lessons at present, in the effects of currency and fiscal legislation upon trade. A reversal of the conditions affecting tea is bringing about, in opium, a similar, revision of trade. Heavy taxation at the source is crushing the Indian drug, and fostering the growth of the poppy in China. Artificial currency troubles are handicapping Indian mills and fostering cotton-spinning in China and Japan; and the same causes are tending to operate against Italy and France—in their competition with Chinese silk. Adherence to old methods of production has gone far to neutralise, the advantage which the China growers possessed in producing on a silver basis. Wiser methods are at last gaining ground, and the silk-producing countries of Europe will now feel the full effect of silver competition. The silk trade has, however, left England since the opening of the Suez Canal. Merchants in China may still interest themselves in it; but English people are immeasurably more interested in cotton, and it is unsatisfactory to note that the total amount of cotton goods—"grey shirtings, white shirtings, T-blews, English drills, American drills, English sheetings, and American sheets," imported during the five years 1891-95 was 6,000,000 less than during 1895-90. The diminished import is due, of course, to the increased amount of silver which manufacturers in gold-using countries are obliged to charge in order to recoup themselves for their outlay in appreciated gold.

We have reached the limits of our space without half exhausting the topics that are brought out in this able report; and can only commend to our readers' attention the full text of Mr. Grant Duff's remarks upon the changes that are occurring in the cotton trade. We note, in conclusion, that the total imports from Great Britain rose from Tls. 20,000,000 in Tls. 34,000,000 in the twelvemonths; and cordially endorse his remark that the figures are especially satisfactory in view of the fact that the total imports from the continent of Europe, excluding Russia, only amounted to Tls. 7,500,000.—*London and China Express.*

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

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FORMOSA:

(From an old Correspondent)

TAMSU, October 19th.

The special judicial commission instituted to try all prisoners charged with participating in the late Hoomin outbreak, and which has been in session for the past eight weeks at Changhsu, concluded its labours on the 30th instant. There were altogether 421 persons arrested. Of these, however, only 72 were detained by the Public Prosecutor for further proceedings, and eventually of these only 58 were brought to trial, the remainder being released at once. Of these 58 but 14 were convicted and sentenced respectively as follows: 2 to death, 3 to imprisonment for life, 4 for eleven years, 1 for ten years, 2 for nine years, 1 for five years, and one for three years. At a present advised, this is supposed to include all the punishments it is proposed to mete out for the Hoomin-Tauak *tsuksu*.

THE PRESENT POSITION.

With reference to the present condition of affairs, there can be no doubt that the line of demarcation between those who are what may be called professional brigands, or rebels, and the people whom the former have forced to join them, either by their threat or other violent measures, is daily becoming more apparent. The Japanese have not been slow to take advantage of this favourable condition and are giving every encouragement to the lawfully disposed to come back to their homes, and resume their former peaceful vocations. It is stated that several villages have thus been re-peopled, and that the inhabitants have combined amongst themselves to offer their former rebels comrades strenuous resistance, refusing to afford them supplies or help whatever. As a result of this the main band of robbers has been broken up into small groups, or sections, and we hear that they are suffering considerably from the lack of provisions which the villagers on the plain-lands decline to give them.

SUPPRESSION OF BRIGANDAGE.

From time to time as the calls of hunger become more pressing they make raids on the hamlets nearest to the hills where the robbers' strongholds are situated, and besides seizing what money or provisions they can get hold of, have taken to the old brigand device of carrying off one or two wealthy individuals whom they retain until ransomed by their friends. This latter, while it has intensified the terror of the people has simultaneously set up and increased the bitterest feeling, and at present the greatest antagonism exists between these and their *et-levant* associates. These villages are making constant applications to the government to have resident gendarmes and policemen stationed in their various hamlets. Many native volunteers also have come forward and are pressuring the military either to allow them to enlist in the regular army or help them to form corps to be drilled and commanded by Japanese officers temporarily "seconded" for that purpose. I have not heard whether the authorities are going to accept either of any of these proposals, but there is one thing certain, and that is that a much more friendly state of feeling now exists between Chinese and the conquerors, and that there would seem to be no likelihood of any further mistake being made between the innocent and the guilty on the part of the Japanese soldier in as far as the plain-land habitations, at any rate, are concerned: The Chief of the Formosa Home Department who had been sent on special mission from Taipoo to Hoopen to see after the distribution of the Relief Fund granted by the Imperial Bounty and Government, has returned, reporting that most of the refugees have come back to their homes, and very gladly accepted the benevolent and substantial exertions with which they were met, and altogether it

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